

Poultry Science Alumni Group  
Board of Director's Meeting  
March 6 2009

1. Those in Attendance: Michael Vann, Keith Lusby, Belinda Mayo, Darrell Froud, Samantha Blair, Anthony McAdoo, Lance Price, Lionel Barton, Terry Hoskins, Ashley Harris, Shannon Burasco and Diana Bisbee
  
2. Reports:
  - a. Reading of the minutes was dispensed and minutes approved. Belinda Mayo moved and Michael Vann seconded.
  
  - b. Financial Report: The PSAG has \$24,752.00 in the Ring and Scholarship Account.
  
  - c. DBCAFLS: Ashley Harris reported the date for the senior/alumni dinner will be April 8th at the Alumni House. They would like to have a representative from the PSAG Board to attend as a guest. Commencement will be May 9th 2009 at the Tyson Indoor Track Facility. The next CAFLS Alumni Board meeting will be Friday, July 10th in Little Rock.
  
  - d. AAA: Anthony McAdoo reported on the Pride of Arkansas tour. This is an initiative for the AAA to expand their membership numbers. They are working toward 35,000 members by 2012. His team made 49 stops during the month of February and visited with over 1200 people. Diana Bisbee sent letters from the PSAG to members at Clarksville, Russellville and Batesville inviting them to attend. She attended the meetings at Russellville and Batesville. AAA is working to update their web site with stories/pictures of members and member contacts. Anthony followed up the meeting with the following information: 1) he is working on a heat map of POSC grads that can be shared with the Board to use in planning events 2) he will participate in our annual meeting and has offered to use their 380+emails of POSC graduates for advertising the meeting.
  
  - e. POSC Club: President Samantha Blair reported on the resume activity held in February, announced the March 11th job interview activity, and the April Senior Lunch activity (date TBA). Mrs. Carmen Burasco is coordinating the job interview event. Anyone interested in helping with that event was invited to stay 20 minutes after the Board meeting for further information.
  
3. Student Mentoring program: Diana Bisbee reported that there are many similar program online from other institutions and we could model our program after an existing one. Some of the common features include 1) a list of expectations for student and mentors 2) site security includes password protection 3) students take the initiative to contact mentors 4) not a job interview activity. It was moved by Belinda Mayo and seconded by Lance Price that the Board begin the process of organizing a program. Shannon Burasco, Belinda Mayo and Diana Bisbee will serve on the committee.

4. Booth at 2009 Poultry Festival: Lionel Barton has visited with the Poultry Federation and reserved a booth space during the BBQ contest. Keith Lusby followed up with an email confirmation. This will be held June 13th at the Embassy Suites in Rogers. Diana Bisbee will coordinate the event with the POSC Departmental booth.
5. Fund Raiser for 2009: The Golf committee reported back that due to the financial environment and the estimated cost of putting on the event, the golf tournament has been shelved until 2010. Lionel Barton thought there should be enough pictures for one more calendar year. Doug McCloud moved and Belinda Mayo seconded the motion for the PSAG to have calendars as the 2009 fund raiser.
6. The 2009 Annual Meeting will be held in AGRI Park on Thursday, June 4th starting at 6:00pm with dinner and a short meeting. The quarterly Board meeting will be held immediately prior to the annual meeting, starting at 4:30-5:30p. Shannon Burasco, Doug McCloud, and Lance Price will assist Diana Bisbee in the arrangements. Doug McCloud has volunteered chicken for the meal. Shannon Burasco asked the Board to identify 7-10 names that they would be willing to call and personally invited to the annual meeting. Send the names to Diana Bisbee to help avoid duplication.
7. At the Annual Meeting we will be rotating out 2 directors, Chad Burkett and Jennifer Hughes. We will be replacing Matt Evans and Shannon Fancher who resigned. The total number of new directors is 4. Shannon Burasco will be moving to Past President. We are also seeking a president-elect. Doug McCloud as the current President-elect is chairperson of the Nominating Committee so all potential names should be sent to him.
8. Darrell Froud was unanimously elected to as a Board member for the remaining of this year's term in addition to the next three years.
9. Diana Bisbee will circulate a description of requirements for the position of director to all the current Board members to use when recruiting new members. She distributed the most up-to-date membership records from AAA.
10. Shannon Burasco distributed the By-Laws and the Board voted to amend the duties of the executive secretary on the method of reporting financial information to the Board. Motion passed. Any other changes will be discussed at the next board meeting.
11. Next meeting: June 4th 4:30-5:30p – AGRI Park
12. Lance Price moved and Belinda Mayo seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.